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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: **FILTER DEVICE**

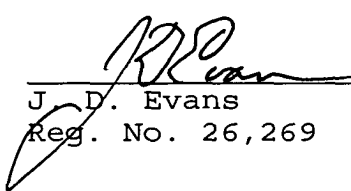
Enclosed are:

1. Application Data Sheet.
2. Specification, including 11 claims (16 pages).
3. 4 Sheets of Formal Drawings showing Figs. 1-6.
4. Certified copy of Priority Document 102.32 046.2 filed in Fed. Rep. of Germany on July 16, 2002, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee				\$375/750 =	\$750.00
Total Claims	<u>11</u>	- 20 =		x \$ 9/18 =	\$
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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